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SUBJECT: LOS CONFERENCE: PRESS COMMENT

1. "FAINT AIR OF OPTIMISM" IS HEADLINE OVER
6/16/77 OPINION COLUMN ON LOS CONFERENCE BY
HALIFAX "CHRONICLE-HERALD" EDITOR-IN-CHIEF HAROLD
SHEA. TO BE SURE, SHEA MENTIONS AMB RICHARDSON S
EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT ABOUT THE PACE OF THE
CONFERENCE, AND HE ADMITS THAT CHANCES MAY BE SLIM
THAT A LOS TREATY CAN BE CONCLUDED BEFORE THE END
OF THE DECADE. HE NOTES, HOWEVER, THAT THERE ARE
SIGNS THAT THE DELEGATIONS MAY BE NEARING COMPROMISE
AGREEMENT ON KEY ISSUE OF UNDERSEA MINING.

2. REFERRING TO CONVERSATION HE HAD THIS WEEK WITH
HEAD OF CANADIAN DELEGATION, AMB J ALLAN BEESLEY,
SHEA NOTED THAT BEESLEY WAS HOPING THAT UNDERSEA
MINING COMPROMISE COULD BE WORKED OUT ALONG THE
LINES OF A DRAFT PROPOSAL BEING PREPARED BY NORWEGIAN
CABINET MINISTER JENS EVENSEN. ALTHOUGH AMB RICHARDSON
NOT ENCHANTED WITH TERMS OF EVENSEN PROPOSAL, FEELING THEY
WOULD UNDULY LIMIT PRODUCTION OF UNDERSEA MINERALS, SHEA
OBSERVES THAT CANADIAN NICKEL PRODUCERS, WHO ARE ALREADY
SUFFERING FROM MARKETING PROBLEMS, ARE NOT KEEN TO
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FACE US COMPETITION. SOME OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
ALSO ARE LEERY OF "GO-GO" ENTHUSIASM OF THE
AMERICANS, FEARING MARKET GLUTS THAT WOULD DEPRESS THE
PRICES THEY RECEIVE FOR THE MINERALS THEY MINE
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